

House Resolution No. 68

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri couple who have enjoyed tremendous personal success through the bonds of Holy Matrimony; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clayton cherished residents of Buffalo, Missouri, will commemorate their Fifty-seventh Wedding Anniversary with a festive family celebration to be held at their home in conjunction with the Fiftieth Birthday of their son, Fred; and

Whereas, it was on January 11, 1947, that Fred R. Clayton took the hand of his beautiful bride, Pauline Vineyard, and together they were joined in marriage before the eyes of God during a memorable wedding ceremony officiated by the Reverend Jasper O'Dell in Springfield; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Fred and Pauline Clayton have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Clayton provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as the owner of Clayton Shoe Repair in Buffalo for fifty-six years, while somehow finding the time and energy to hone his skills as a beekeeper; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, doting grandmother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Clayton enjoyed her family immensely and derived a tremendous amount of personal satisfaction from crocheting, quilting, and taking care of her husband and children; and

Whereas, Fred and Pauline Clayton have relished every moment they have spent nurturing their three children, Fred Lynn Clayton, Cheryl Johnson, and Becky Bishop; and spoiling their eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, devout members of First Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo where Mr. Clayton has served as a Deacon for more than fifty years, Fred and Pauline Clayton often reflect upon the joys and rewards they have experienced during their fifty-seven years of marriage and look forward to many more years of love, sharing, and togetherness:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Fred and Pauline Clayton upon the glorious celebration of their Fifty-seventh Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to walk hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clayton, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Larry D. Wilson
District No. 119

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second

Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 68, adopted January 14, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker